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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE

## DISTRICT OF UTAH, CENTRAL DIVISION

DAVID C., et al.,

**Plaintiffs** 

v.

JON HUNTSMAN, JR., et al.,

Defendants

ORDER OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF PARTIES' AGREEMENT TO TERMINATE THE LAWSUIT AND APPROVAL OF THE PROCESS FOR PROVIDING NOTICE TO CLASS

CIVIL NO: 2:93-CV-00206 TC

JUDGE CAMPBELL

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The Court having considered the Joint Motion for Preliminary Approval of Parties' Agreement to Terminate the Lawsuit and Approval of the Process for Providing Notice to Class (the "Joint Motion"), the supporting papers and declarations, and the parties' Agreement to Terminate the Lawsuit (the "Agreement"); good cause appearing,

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- The parties' Agreement is preliminarily approved. The Court finds that the 1. Agreement has been fairly and honestly negotiated, and is the result of arms-length negotiations. The Agreement also appears to be a fair, reasonable, and adequate resolution of this class action lawsuit.
- The Court also approves the parties' proposed form of notice and the process by 2. which it will be provided. The Court finds that the proposed notice fairly apprises the class members of this important juncture in the lawsuit and satisfies the due process requirements of Rule 23(e).
- The Court further ORDERS and directs that notice, attached hereto as Exhibit A, 3. shall be communicated to the class using the following methods of publication:
  - a. The actual notice will be published in the Sunday edition of the Salt Lake Tribune, Deseret News, St. George Spectrum, and the Provo Daily Herald for three consecutive weeks.
  - b. The actual notice will be posted on the DCFS website with links to the DHS website.
  - c. The actual notice will be mailed to all Guardians ad Litem in the State of Utah.

- d. A simplified version of the notice (with information on where to find the actual notice) will be distributed to the Utah Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program, the Foster Care Foundation, and Voices for Utah Children to be disseminated to CASAs, foster parents, and interested community members.
- e. A simplified and shortened version of the notice will be distributed as a public service announcement to three radio stations in the state's major metropolitan communities with a request that it be aired for three consecutive weeks.
- f. A simplified version of the notice will be provided to QI Committees for circulation among their membership.
- 4. Any member of the class, or their legal representative or guardian, has the right, before the hearing, to make written objections to the terms of the parties' Agreement, and/or to write a statement in support of the proposed Agreement. If class members object to the Agreement, they should explain their reasons for objecting. Written comments should be submitted to this Court no later than June 15, 2007.
- 5. The Court further APPROVES the proposed schedule for approval of the notice, submission of comments, and final approval of the parties' Agreement:

a. June 9, 2007 Deadline for concluding notice procedures:

b. June 15, 2007 Deadline for class member objections;

c. June 22, 2007 Deadlines for parties' joint motion for approval;

d. June 28, 2007, 2:30 p.m. Hearing regarding joint motion for approval of the Agreement and to dismiss the case without prejudice

Dated this 18th day of May, 2007.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

TENA CAMPBELL

United States District Judge